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FM AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3033  
INFO AMEMBASSY CAIRO  
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AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI

C O N F I D E N T I A L KHARTOUM 3492

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PINS, SU  
SUBJECT: FINAL STATE SECURITY TRIBUNAL VERDICTS

REF: KHARTOUM 3114

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1. AL SAHAFAREPORTED NOV 25 THAT VERDICTS HAVE BEEN ISSUED  
IN FINAL SECURITY TRIAL FOLLOWING EARLY JULY COUP ATTEMPT.  
NEWSPAPER ARTICLE DID NOT INDICATE HOW MANY INDIVIDUALS  
WERE TRIED OR WHAT THE VERDICTS WERE. HOWEVER, IF QUOTES  
"RESPONSIBLE SOURCE" IN GENERAL COMMAND OF PEOPLES'  
ARMED FORCES TO EFFECT THAT VERDICTS WERE FAIR AND  
CONFORMED WITH CRIMES AND DEEDS COMMITTED BY ACCUSED.  
THIS MILITARY SOURCE ADDED THAT STATE SECURITY COURTS  
HAD NOW FINISHED TRIALS OF ALL ACCUSED AND THERE NO  
ADDITIONAL PENDING TRIALS. END UNCLASSIFIED

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2. COMMENT: FINAL TRIAL RESULTS WERE ISSUED NEARLY FIVE  
MONTHS AFTER JULY 2-4 COUP ATTEMPT. VAGUE AND ALMOST  
SECRETIVE FINAL ANNOUNCEMENT CONTRASTS SHARPLY WITH HIGH  
DEGREE PUBLICITY THAT SURROUNDED FIRST TRIALS WHICH  
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SEEMED TO SATISFY NOT ONLY NIMEIRI'S NEED FOR VENGEANCE

BUT THAT OF PUBLIC AS WELL. HOWEVER, NIMEIRI CLEARLY WAS CONCERNED BY ADVERSE PUBLICITY IN EUROPE AND FOR PAST TWO MONTHS OR SO THERE HAS BEEN RATHER MODERATE TREATMENT IN PRESS. IN PARTICULAR, THERE HAVE BEEN FEW DETAILS ABOUT ACTUAL VERDICTS REACHED. IN THAT CONNECTION, BETWEEN 450 AND 500 DEFENDANTS WERE TRIED, AND OF THESE OVER 430 WERE FOUND GUILTY. APPROXIMATELY 30 PERSONS WERE RELEASED. WE THINK OVER 200 WERE EXECUTED WHILE OTHERS WERE IMPRISONED FOR VARIOUS TERMS, AND IN SOME CASES FINES WERE LEVIED. BREWER

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